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Sir:

Responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated March 18, 2002,
kindly amend the subject application as follows:

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In the Specification

Please insert the following paragraph in the Specification.

Page 1, line 1,

---This Application is based on United States Provisional Applications S/N
60/071,070, filed January 9, 1998, and 60/111,581, filed December 1998, and is the
national phase of PCT Serial Number PCT/US99/00419, filed January 8, 1999, which
was assigned International Publication Number WO 99/35150.--

Page 7, in the diagram in immediate superposition to the lower arrow, kindly cancel
“(R'O)₂PN²₂” and substitute --- (R'O)₂P(NR²)₂---;

Page 8, line 22, cancel “(divavatent)” and substitute --- (divalent)---

In the Claims

Kindly amend the claims as follows:

Claim 9 line 1 kindly delete the entire first line and substitute ---Trans--- therefore